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July 2008 (Supreme Court of Queensland)
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University of New South Wales Teaching Fellow, Faculty of Law (part time)
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Bachelor of Laws (Hon I) Queensland University of Technology Dean's Research Scholar (2005)
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Selected matters

Catholic Metropolitan Cemetery Trust v Attorney-General (NSW) [2024] NSWCA 30 – application for judicial advice and declarations before Bell CJ, Ward P and Leeming JA. Led by Michael Izzo SC and Zelie Heger.

Clark v Daniel Trelease Pty Ltd Supreme Court of NSW – application for urgent interlocutory injunction before Meek J, 17 January 2024. Unled.

A v B Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1) – contested interim hearing before Campton J, 1 December 2023. Unled.

Saito v Eichel (No 2) [2023] FedCFamC1F 997 – contested interim application before Campton J. Led by Michael Henry SC.

The Lebanese Muslim Association v Dandan Supreme Court of NSW contested application for leave to serve evidence before Kunc J, 18 October 2023. Unled.

Voitraint No. 1019 Pty Limited v Zauner Construction Pty Limited Supreme Court of NSW contested discovery application before Ball J, 11 August 2023. Unled.

McLean-Phillips v Carnival plc (No 3) [2023] FCA 985 – application to strike out statement of claim and for summary judgment before Jackman J. Led by David McLure SC and Jesse Kennedy.

Re SRD Property Pty Limited – two contested applications to vary final orders before Black J. Unled.

Re SRD Property Pty Limited [2023] NSWSC 441 – oppression case before Black J, 5 day hearing. Unled.

McLean-Phillips v Carnival plc t/as P&O Cruises Australia (No 2) [2023] FCA 627 – application for production of costs agreement in representative proceedings decided by Jackman J on the papers. Led by David McLure SC.

McLean-Phillips v Carnival plc t/as P&O Cruises Australia [2023] FCA 328 – application to strike out statement of claim before Jackman J. Led by David McLure SC and Jesse Kennedy.

Vedam Enterprises Pty Ltd v Xpress Fuel Australia Pty Ltd – application to vary terms of interlocutory injunction before Meek J, 16 January 2023. Unled.

Vedam Enterprises Pty Ltd v Xpress Fuel Australia Pty Ltd [2022] NSWSC 1756 – application for interlocutory injunction before Henry J, commercial dispute over termination of service station leases. Led by Ben Debuse.

Jordan v Sutton (No 2) [2022] FedCFamC1F 850 – application to join parties to proceeding before Harper J. Led by Michael Henry SC and Darrell Barnett.

Jordan v Sutton [2022] FedCFamC1F 553 – injunction application before Harper J in the Family Court before Harper J. Led by Peter Cummings SC and Darrell Barnett.

Broadway Plaza Investments Pty Ltd v Broadway Plaza Pty Ltd Supreme Court of NSW proceeding 2016/00282940 – application for approval of liquidator's remuneration and ancillary orders before Robb J. Unled.

Hancock v Hancock Prospecting Pty Limited [2022] NSWCA 152 – application for leave to appeal from decision of primary judge rejecting challenge to member of arbitral panel before Brereton and Mitchelmore JJA. Led by Noel Hutley SC and James Hutton.

Kelly v Atanaskovic Hartnell Corporate Services Pty Ltd (No 3) [2023] FedCFamC2G 1 – assessment of penalty and costs in Fair Work Act matter before Judge Given. Led by Pat Zappia KC and Ben Hancock.

Merker v Neilsen Federal Court of Australia proceeding NSD 1348/2020 – contested privilege application before Judicial Registrar Morgan. Unled.

Railtrain Services Pty Ltd v Kinsela [2023] NSWDC 179 – appeal to the District Court from Small Claims Division of the Local Court before Judge Abadee. Contract dispute. Unled.

Ward v Sydney Drain Doctor Pty Ltd – NCAT proceeding HB 22/12418 – final hearing of building dispute. Unled.

Appeared for Christopher Hilton in examination to take evidence on commission pursuant to s 33 of the *Evidence on Commission Act 1995* (NSW) conducted by Sylvia Emmett over 3 hearing days (relating to contract dispute in proceedings in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles). Unled.

7 *Logistics Pty Ltd v Marblous Group Pty Ltd*, Local Court of NSW proceeding 2021/00245507 – final hearing of contract dispute before Magistrate Virgo. Unled.

Selected matters as a solicitor

Seven Network v Cricket Australia [2021] FCA 1031 - preliminary discovery*

Joseph v Parnell Corporate Services Pty Ltd [2021] FCAFC 67; see also Joseph v Parnell Corporate Services Pty Ltd [2020] FCA 426 – breach of directors' duties, employment law*

Atanaskovic Hartnell v Birketu Pty Ltd [2021] NSWCA 201; see also Atanaskovic Hartnell v Birketu Pty Ltd [2019] NSWSC 1006 – contract*

In the matter of Metal Storm (In Liq) [2019] NSWSC 1667; [2019] NSWSC 1682 (settled during trial) – *breach of* trust, damages*

Investment Opportunities II Pte. Limited & Anor v WICET Holdings Pty Limited & Anor, Supreme Court of NSW, 2018/189574 (settled after trial) – breach of contract*

In the matter of TEN Network Holdings Ltd (Admin App) (Rec and Mgrs App) & Ors [2017] NSWSC 1247 – insolvency, Corporations law*

Australian Style Holdings Pty Ltd v Brookfield Multiplex Capital Management Limited, Supreme Court of NSW, 2015/331802 – breach of trust, damages*

BlueScope Steel (AIS) Pty Limited v Illawarra Coal Holdings Pty Limited, Supreme Court of NSW, 2015/00190735 (settled before trial) – contract*

In the matter of Nexus Energy Ltd (subject to deed of company arrangement) [2014] NSWSC 1910 – insolvency, Corporations law*

Equititrust Ltd (in liq) (rec app) (rec and mgrs app) v Equititrust Ltd (in liq) (rec app) (rec and mgrs app) & Ors, Federal Court of Australia, NSD2025/2013 – breach of duty (responsible entity, directors), negligence (auditors)*

Tamaya Resources Ltd (in liq) v Callaghan & Ors, Federal Court of Australia, NSD185/2013 – breach of duty (directors), negligence (auditors)*

*As solicitor